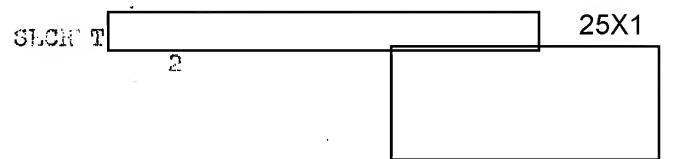


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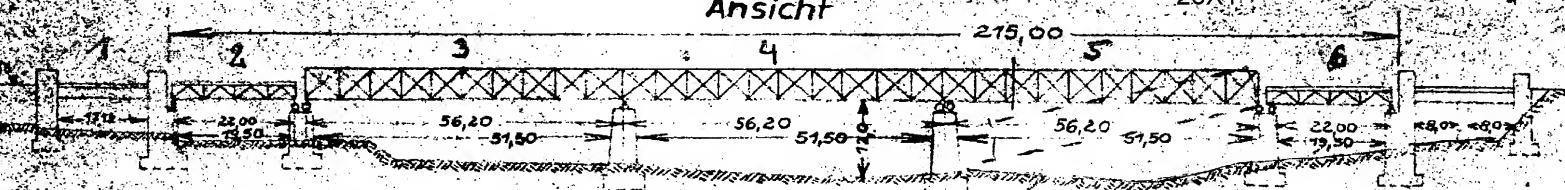
other field fortifications do not exist at or near the bridge. The bridge can carry N type freight trains which have an axle pressure of 25 tons.

2 Annexes : 1. 1 photograph of bridge  
2. 1 photostated diagram of bridge

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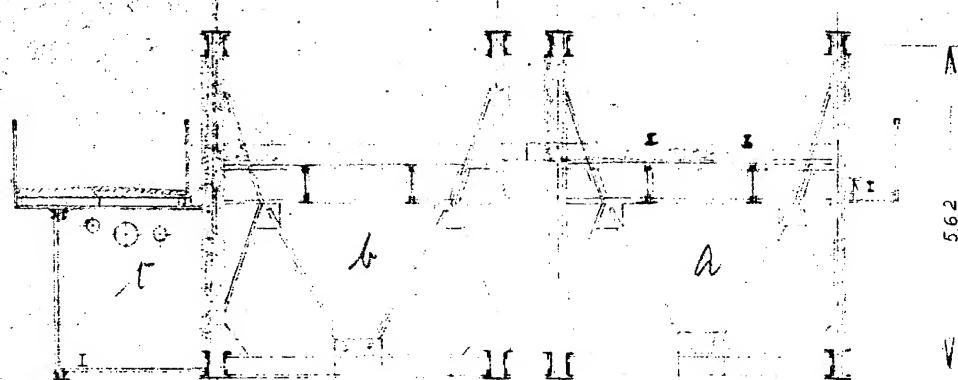
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